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5. (Unclassified - RLB) LEGISLATION Had a lengthy discussion with Mr. Reginald Jones, at the Civil Service Commission, regarding his sessions over the past few days with the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee on H.R. 12080 (the Civil Service merit bill). Mr. Jones said that the Subcommittee on Manpower and Civil Service was unable to conduct their mark-up session this morning for lack of a quorum but that those members present considered additional amendments to the bill. Mr. Jones said further that a new print was scheduled to come out tomorrow morning and would include language that in his opinion made very clear that the Civil Service Commission would not be granted any additional authority under the bill to investigate or enforce any rules or regulations vis-a-vis excepted agencies. Specifically, Mr. Jones said that the one particular subsection of the bill which had still presented us with a problem had been completely redrafted to take into account the Commission's position and at the same time made it acceptable to the Agency. I told Mr. Jones that I would obtain a copy of the latest version of the bill as soon as it became available tomorrow in order for us to thoroughly assess it and would get back to him if any problems remain. I thanked him for his assistance on our behalf and we agreed to keep in touch on this or other matters of mutual concern.

6. (Unclassified - RC) LIAISON I took a call from Mr. Don Duskie, House International Relations Committee staff, who said he had numerous requests for a copy of an Agency publication concerning the attempted Communist coup in Indonesia in 1965. He mentioned that the Agency had declassified this publication several months earlier at the request of Representative James M. Jeffords (R., Vt.), for the use of the Committee. I suggested that he reply to the requesters by advising them to write to the Document Expediting Service in the Library of Congress.

7. (Unclassified - DFM) LEGISLATION Delivered and discussed with Bill Cochrane, Dr. Floyd Riddick, Andrew Gleason, and Judge James Schoener, all of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration staff, two proposed amendments to Senator Howard Cannon's (D., Neb.), Chairman of the Committee, substitute for S. Res. 400. Later, Bill Cochrane, Staff Director, informed me that the two amendments would be incorporated into the substitute.

8. (Unclassified - DFM) ADMINISTRATIVE Picked up a transcript of testimony of [redacted] from the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Internal Security.

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Friday - 23 April 1976

1. (Unclassified - RLB) LEGISLATION Spoke with Mr. Reginald Jones, of the Civil Service Commission, to reiterate our interest in adding amendatory language to the one remaining subsection of H.R. 12080 that still presented the Agency with a problem. Mr. Jones said that he would be talking with the staff of the House Committee on Post Office and Civil Service today or next Monday and would recommend language reflecting our position which in his view is consistent with the Commission's. He assured me that he would be back in touch with me as soon as he had discussed the matter with the Committee.

2. (Unclassified - RJK) FBIS Delivered to the offices of Representatives Donald Riegle, Jr. (D., Mich.), Stephen J. Solarz (R., N.Y.), Donald M. Fraser (D., Minn.), Benjamin Rosenthal (D., N.Y.), Lee H. Hamilton (D., Ind.), M. Gene Snyder (R., Ky.), Leonor K. Sullivan (D., Mo.), and the House Armed Services Committee FBIS items in which their names were mentioned.

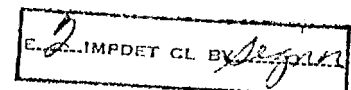
3. (Unclassified - RJK) ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERIES Delivered to David Martin, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Internal Security, Senate Judiciary Committee, a package of FBIS items relating to Czech media reaction to statements made by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was a former Radio Free Europe employee.

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4. (Internal Use Only - RJK) ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERIES Delivered to Charles Snodgrass, on the staff of the Defense Subcommittee, House Appropriations Committee, answers to his questions on SIGINT prepared by the Office of the Comptroller and a copy of the Operations Directorate Management Review System. Snodgrass gave me a copy of a statement on SIGINT by Major General Aaron, Army, Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence. He requested that the Agency review the statement and provide comment to him on it.

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6. (Internal Use Only - RLB) LEGISLATION Had separate telephone conversations with Mr. Robert Lockhart, on the staff of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, and Mr. Reginald Jones, at the Civil Service Commission, regarding H.R. 12080 (the Civil Service merit bill). Mr. Lockhart said that he had been in touch with the Civil Service Commission and on the basis of those discussions concluded that our particular problem with one section of the bill had not in fact been taken care of by language the Commission had suggested earlier. He also said he would continue his efforts to ensure that language acceptable to the Agency would be inserted in the bill.

I brought Mr. Jones up to date on our discussion of April 21 with Messrs. Lockhart and Paul Newton, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Manpower and Civil Service, and drew Mr. Jones' attention to that section of the bill which still presented us with a problem. After discussing in general terms the Commission's position vis-a-vis excepted agencies it became clear that there was no difference between the Commission's and the Agency's position. At my request, Mr. Jones agreed that the language we wished to insert in the troublesome section of the bill was compatible with the Commission's interest; he further agreed to contact Mr. Lockhart to propose language identical to that we used in our discussions of 21 April.

7. (Unclassified - RLB) LEGISLATION Spoke briefly with Jon Holstine, on the staff of the Subcommittee on International Operations, House International Relations Committee, to make sure that there were no new developments regarding the Committee's consideration of the State Department authorization bill and Senator William W. Proxmire's (D., Wis.) "gift" amendment that had been added to the Senate version. Mr. Holstine stated that the full Committee should mark up the bill early next week and that nothing had happened over the past several days to change his view that the House Committee would not go along with the gift amendment.

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11. (Unclassified - LLM) LIAISON Spoke with Scott Cohen, Executive Assistant to Senator Charles Percy (R., Ill.), and informed him that the letters he had been sending us concerning Soviet affairs were no longer serving a useful purpose. I thanked him for his consideration of our interests and he thanked us for providing this candid evaluation and explained the genesis of his efforts.

25X1 12. (Unclassified - LLM) AGENCY VISIT In response to his earlier request, arranged with Pete Stathis, GAO, and his colleague, Ron Stouffer, to meet with Agency representatives as a prelude to their trip to Mexico City in the middle of May to study DEA's efforts in connection with the opium eradication program. Representatives of [ ] will attend the session which is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. tomorrow at Headquarters.

13. (Internal Use Only - LLM) LIAISON Tom Lattimer, Department of Defense, called concerning a request from the FBI to identify classified information from House Select Committee report excerpts published in the Village Voice and asked if we had made an assessment. I suggested that he contact [ ] Review Staff.

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25X1 14. (Unclassified - JMD) LIAISON Called the Toledo, Ohio office of Senator Robert Taft (R., Ohio) and advised them that we had received a letter dated 13 April from the Senator referring to a 26 March letter he sent about [ ] The Senator's 13 April letter indicated that he had never received a response to his 26 March letter. I advised the secretary that we had answered the 26 March letter on 8 April and advised her we would send her a copy of that letter. She apologized saying they had two new people in the office who seem to keep getting things mixed up. She said she would appreciate our sending her another copy of our 8 April letter. This was done.

15. (Confidential - KSN) ADMINISTRATIVE Received a call from Mike Duval's, White House staff, secretary who said that Mr. Duval would like a draft letter from the President to the Senate Select Committee stating that the President is opposed to the Select Committee's plan to publish the Intelligence Community budget figure. He requested that it be LDX'd to him today. I passed this message on to Mr. Cary.

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4. (Unclassified - RLB) LEGISLATION Called Mr. Reginald Jones, of the Civil Service Commission, regarding the status of H.R. 12080 (the Civil Service merit bill). Mr. Jones said that he and others from his office had spent the better part of April 19 with staffers of the Subcommittee on Manpower and Civil Service, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, and had made certain changes in the bill since we had last seen it.

Following my conversation with Mr. Jones, I called Mr. J. Pierce Myers, on the staff of the Committee, and arranged to meet with him on April 21 to discuss the Agency's position on the bill and work out any final language changes. Mr. Myers told me that a new version of the bill would be ready the evening of April 22 and that Subcommittee mark-up was now scheduled for April 27.

5. (Unclassified - DFM) LIAISON Called Sallie Phillips, on the staff of Representative Robert Edgar (D., Pa.), regarding her inquiry as to the source of a figure of 36,000 Israeli casualties in the event of a new Arab-Israeli war. I explained that Mr. Colby had treated this subject in testimony before Congress and that the press had picked it up.

6. (Unclassified - DFM) CONSTITUENT Called Mike Hemphill, on the staff of Senator John Tower (R., Texas). A constituent of the Senator is marketing a new weapons system and would like to make a presentation to the Agency. Per instructions of Mr. McMahon, A/DDA, I asked Hemphill to refer the constituent to Mike Malanick, Director of Logistics.

7. (Internal Use Only - PLC) HEARING Called Mike Uhlmann, Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, and inquired as to when they are scheduled to testify before the House Government Operations Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights. They are set for 1000 hours Wednesday, 28 April. Mary Lawton, Tom Martin, and Erwin Goldbloom, of the Civil Division, will testify. I arranged for a courier to pick up Justice's statement tomorrow morning in Uhlmann's office.

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ADDENDUM TO JOURNAL

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Thursday - 8 April 1976

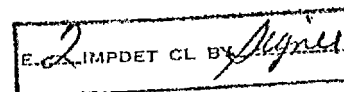
1. (Unclassified - PLC) LEGISLATION Called Bill Hogan, Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and discussed further his request that we prepare a clean bill amending our CIA Retirement Act incorporating the additional changes to H. R. 11088. Fifty copies of the clean bill were later delivered to Hogan. Hogan noted that Linda Kamm, Associate Counsel, of the House Budget Committee, called him and indicated that the effective date of the funding proposal will have to be made effective 1 October 1976. Hogan said this change can be made easily in the clean bill.

2. (Unclassified - PLC) LEGISLATION Together with [REDACTED] 25X1 DD/Plans and Systems, OF, met with Bob Schafer, Jim Capra, and Bob Hale, of the Congressional Budget Office, and discussed the information and data which the Agency used in arriving at its cost estimate in H. R. 11088 which amends the CIA Retirement Act. They asked for an up-to-date actuarial study and will contact Ted Kroll, of the Treasury Department. They made clear that they will have to make a separate cost evaluation and their figures will undoubtedly differ from ours. Schafer said he had checked with the House Budget Committee people and H. R. 11088 is an open-ended authorization entitlement bill and will not require separate authorization legislation after it becomes law.

3. (Internal Use Only - PLC) LEGISLATION Picked up from Jon Holstein, on the staff of the House Committee on International Relations, a Committee print of the State Authorization bill.

4. (Confidential - PLC) LIAISON Delivered to the offices of the Chairmen of the Senate Armed Services and Appropriations Committees, and the House Appropriations Committee, a Reserve withdrawal letter dated 7 April. The letter for the House Armed Services Committee was being revised.

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20. (Internal Use Only - RJK) LIAISON [redacted] NSA, called to ask about the security oaths which we ask Congressional staff members to sign. After conferring with [redacted] and the Office of Security, I called [redacted] back on the gray line and in his absence spoke with [redacted] and gave him illustrations of the content of our security oaths. He appreciated our prompt assistance.

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21. (Unclassified - THW) LIAISON I took a call from Tom Smeeton, Minority Staff, House International Relations Committee, concerning comments of Representative William Broomfield (R., Mich.) on Agency briefing of the House Republican Conference (See Memorandum for the Record.)

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22. (Unclassified - THW) BRIEFING Accompanied [redacted] all of OCI, to a briefing of Senator Thomas F. Eagleton (D., Mo.) in preparation for his upcoming trip to the Middle East. Brian Atwood, Administrative Assistant to the Senator, and [redacted] intern in Senator Eagleton's office, sat in on the briefing. Senator Eagleton was very appreciative and Atwood remarked that the briefing was excellent. [redacted]

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23. (Unclassified - THW) BRIEFING Took a call from Dale DeHaan, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Refugees and Escapees, Senate Judiciary Committee, who said that Senator Edward M. Kennedy (D., Mass.), Chairman of the Subcommittee, and most of the other members would not be able to make the briefing on 9 April and that only Senator James Abourezk (D., S. Dak.) and perhaps Senator Charles McC. Mathias (R., Md.) would be able to attend. I told DeHaan that in that event, I suggested that we not provide a senior Agency representative, but a working level briefer to brief Senator Abourezk. DeHaan thought that would be sufficient and the hearing was rescheduled for 11:00 a.m., 9 April, in Senator Abourezk's office, 1105 Dirksen Senate Office Building. DeHaan and Dorothy Parker, Minority Counsel for the Subcommittee, will sit in on the briefing. [redacted] is checking their clearances. [redacted]

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16. (Internal Use Only - RJK) ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERIES  
Delivered a final version with questions and answers of the Agency portion of the budget briefing before the Defense Subcommittee, House Appropriations Committee, on 16 March to Charles Snodgrass, on the Subcommittee staff. He requested that he be permitted to retain the transcript for a brief time for further review. He gave me an earlier incomplete transcript which is on file in our office.

17. (Unclassified - RJK) FBIS Delivered to the offices of Representatives Benjamin Rosenthal (D., N. Y.), Edward G. Biester, Jr. (R., Pa.), and Lester L. Wolff (D., N. Y.) FBIS items in which their names were mentioned.

18. (Unclassified - RJK) ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERIES  
Delivered to Sue, in the office of Representative Paul Findley (R., Ill.), a map of Europe, per her request.

19. (Internal Use Only - RLB) LEGISLATION Called Mr. Robert Latchford, who handles congressional relations at the Drug Enforcement Administration. I alerted him to the Senator William W. Proxmire (D., Wis.) "gift" amendment and, as per Peter Abbruzzese's suggestion, recommended that he get in touch with Representative Lester L. Wolff (D., N. Y.), who is on the Subcommittee on International Operations, House International Relations Committee, to express DEA's concerns over the possible effect of the gift amendment on various narcotics trafficking programs. Subsequently, Mr. Latchford notified me that he had been unable to reach Representative Wolff but had talked with the Congressman's staff assistant and made him aware of DEA's concerns.

20. (Unclassified - GLC) LIAISON Talked with Edward Schallert, in the office of Representative Les Aspin (D., Wisc.), who requested a briefing for the Congressman on the military balance in the Middle East. The briefing was set up for Friday, 9 April 1976, at 10:00 a.m.

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6. (Internal Use Only - PLC) LIAISON Met with Norm Cornish, Staff Director, House Government Operations Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Natural Resources, and informed him that the Agency had no information to corroborate information he had received that the Soviets were having environmental problems caused by shale excavation polluting a lake in Estonia.

7. (Internal Use Only - PLC) ADMINISTRATIVE - DELIVERY Delivered to the secretary of Mr. Schneider, in Senator James Buckley's (C-R., N.Y.) office, a blind memorandum on Expansion of China's Coastal Steel Plants.

8. (Internal Use Only - LLM) BRIEFING Called Ben Palumbo, House Democratic Caucus staff, and scheduled the briefing he had requested on the expansion of the USSR navy. The briefing will be held tomorrow at 2:00 p.m. [REDACTED] OER, will do the briefing.

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9. (Internal Use Only - LLM) LIAISON Les Janka, NSC staff, called to express his appreciation for Mr. Cary's note to him on the International Security Assistance and Arms Control Act of 1976 (S. 2662) and advised that according to his information, the bill had been taken off the House calendar and will not be considered until after Congress returns from the Easter recess.

We also reviewed briefly our current situation with the Defense Subcommittee, House Appropriations Committee, relating to a covert action program.

10. (Unclassified - LLM) LIAISON Dan Betts, called from San Francisco and said he was with the Seattle Regional office of the Federal Energy Administration and requested an Agency publication as background for a paper he is drawing up on the impact of transportation systems as they relate to Alaska oil. I relayed this request to [REDACTED] OCI, and suggested he handle it through normal liaison channels.

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11. (Confidential - GLC) LIAISON Called Representative Robert L. F. Sikes (D., Fla.) to remind him of the time of the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee session this afternoon. Mr. Sikes said he would be there. I asked him whether he thought Representatives Bill Chappell (D., Fla.) and Bill Burlison (D., Mo.) would be receptive to a call, and Mr. Sikes said he believed they would appreciate hearing from me.

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